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A SPECIAL WELCOME

Groups holding conferences in Victoria in May:

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You can smell the tang of salty air, you can even taste the salt from the spray breaking over the boat's bowrail, you can feel the breeze rise to lift the vessel and fill the gaily-coloured spinnaker. You brace yourself as the deck tilts beneath your feet . . . these are the sensations you experience when you view the Swiftsure Sailing Classic as seen through the seemingly magic lens of Jim McVie's camera.

It's 61 years since the first Swiftsure race was held but it's still considered the Cadillac of sailing events in the NorthWest and Jim McVie has hundreds of prize-winning photographs to prove it.

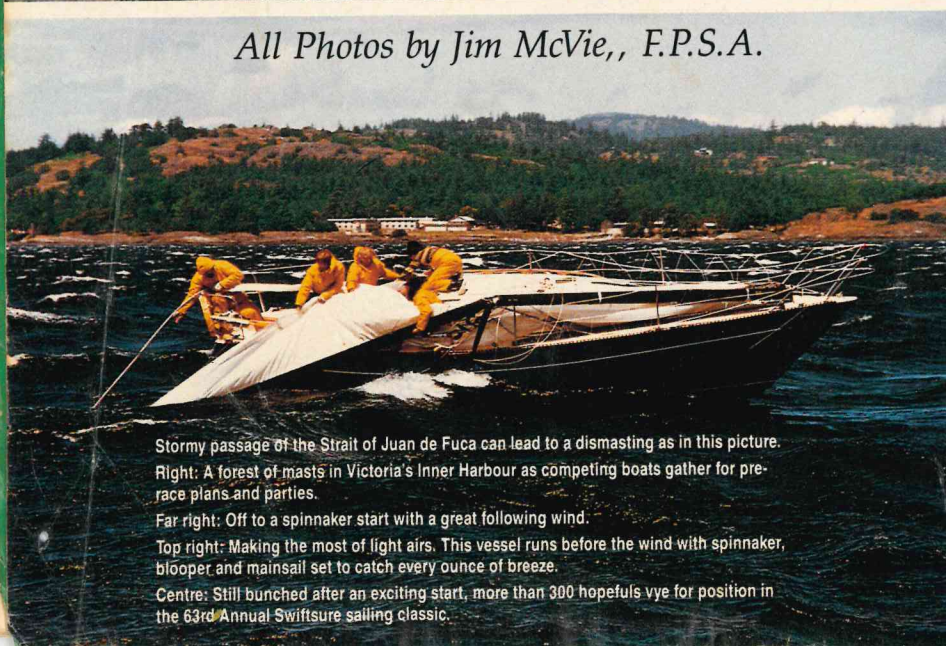
Jim's photographs have made the covers of virtually every sailing magazine ever published. His work has graced gallery walls in major photographic exhibitions on five continents. He has been the recipient of more than 80 prestigious awards including the Rochester Gold Medal and the Queen's Medal from Australia.

A long-time resident of Victoria, Jim received his first camera, a Brownie box camera, for his 12th birthday. His favourite camera today is the latest model of a twin lens reflex 35 mm Mamiya and, although Jim is now in his 70's, he readily admits that he "still lives for Swiftsure."

We are proud to present this miniscule selection from Jim's extensive slide collection.

SWIFTSURE

All Photos by Jim McVie,, F.P.S.A.



Stormy passage of the Strait of Juan de Fuca can lead to a dismasting as in this picture.
 Right: A forest of masts in Victoria's Inner Harbour as competing boats gather for pre-race plans and parties.
 Far right: Off to a spinnaker start with a great following wind.
 Top right: Making the most of light airs. This vessel runs before the wind with spinnaker, blooper and mainsail set to catch every ounce of breeze.
 Centre: Still bunched after an exciting start, more than 300 hopefuls vie for position in the 63rd Annual Swiftsure sailing classic.





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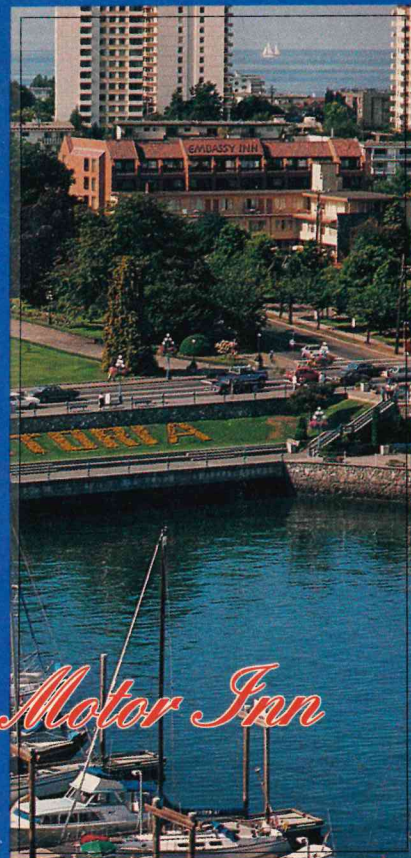
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The first Swiftsure race was sailed in 1930 with 6 yachts sailing from Cadboro Bay, around the Lightship anchored on Swiftsure bank at the entrance to the Strait of Juan de Fuca, and back to Victoria. The Lightship was removed from Swiftsure bank in 1961 and the sailors today round an anchored naval gate vessel. Course length 136.2 nautical miles (156.8 statute miles).

All yachts will start from a line between two vessels, one anchored west of Clover Point and the other near Brothie Ledge. A good vantage point for watching the race start is the Dallas Road/Beacon Hill Park area.

There will be a separate start for each class; the first two classes to start are Swiftsure yachts, the next is for the Owen Point yachts, the next four are Flattery race yachts, the next is for Juan de Fuca race yachts and the last to start are the multihull yachts (Catamarans and Trimarans) which will sail to Swiftsure bank and return.



Top left: The Oriole-crested spinnaker identifies the Canadian Forces training vessel of the same name.

Top Centre: The tall ship "Oriole" has sailed and raced around Victoria for 33 years, usually with navy trainees as her crew.

Middle left: Coming home! Ogden Point spectators cheer on a vessel as it crosses the finish line.

Bottom left: The drama of Swiftsure is captured in incidents such as this spinnaker blowout. Seconds later the spinnaker ripped yet again.

Inset (Centre): The course for the two main races.

Bottom right: Beating on starboard tack. The crew shifts its weight to the high side of the boat to provide balance.

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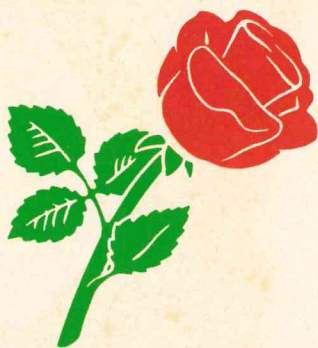
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MAY 3-5
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story, page 42

MAY 4
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our story on page 10.

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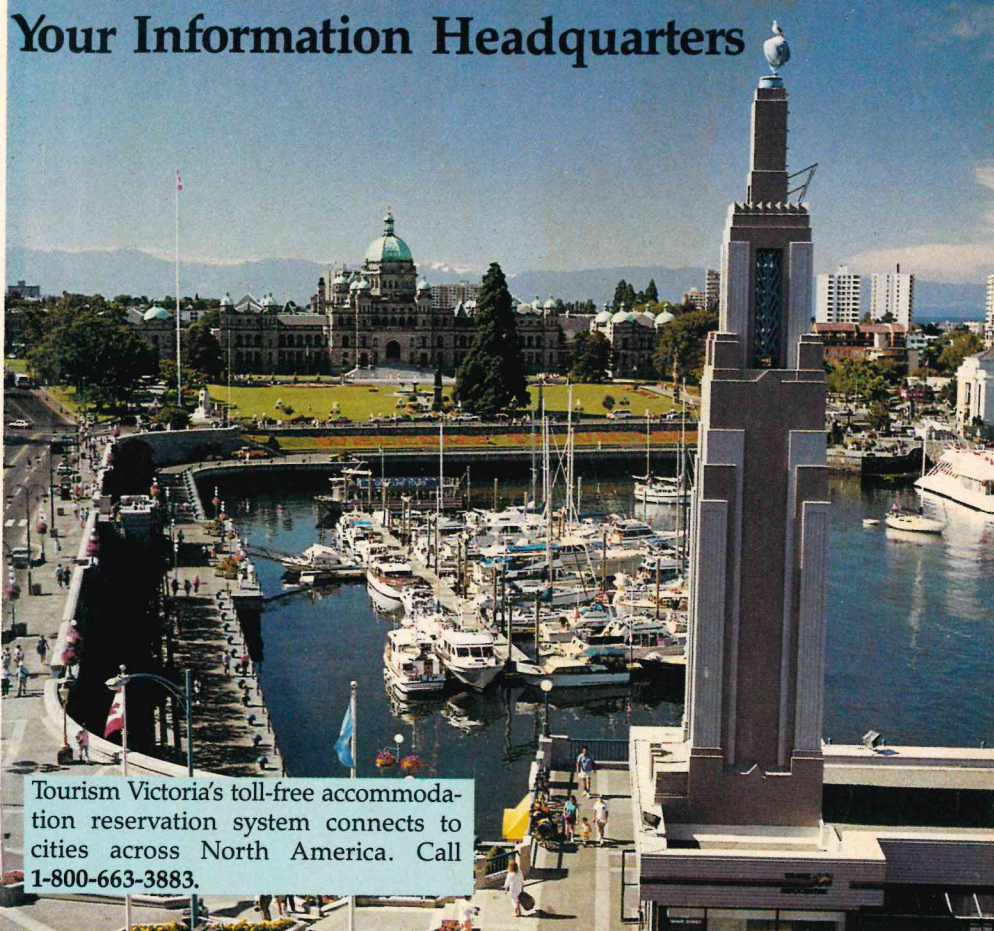
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Victoria's Artist Extraordinaire

Born in Victoria in 1871, the outward appearance of the Victorian child that was Emily Carr, was typical of an Englishman's offspring of that era: hair combed tightly back, rosy cheeks, serviceable dress with overlays of overalls and pinafores and hands folded neatly in her lap when in the presence of adults.

Emily Carr's childhood was governed by her stern father who was determined that his English background would be accurately and painstakingly reflected both in his offspring as well as his surroundings.

For all the stifled exterior, Emily Carr's inner feelings even as a small child, were richly coloured with fire and fervour. Her passion for the creations of nature, from the humblest of humans to the most majestic of Douglas firs reigning over the forests of Vancouver Island, flourished as she explored the countryside that surrounded her father's home near Fort Victoria.

As Emily Carr matured into womanhood, these emotions caught aflame as she began to sketch, paint and interpret what she saw and experienced of this island.

Her work, which runs the gamut of what critics have described as "from brooding to lyrical", tells the tale of Vancouver Island in a way which no other artist has done before or since her time. Where others have detailed their experiences in diaries, Emily Carr's work — both painted and written — casts her more accurately in the role of essayist.

As if to fulfill the biblical adage that "A prophet is not without honour, save in his own country", Victorians of her era ridiculed Emily Carr's artistry. At best, she was considered eccentric, at worst her role as an art teacher was scorned and her young pupils were withdrawn by their parents.

Nonetheless this unusual woman spent many years travelling in the wilderness of British Columbia, living in native villages, and experiencing the sound and fury, as well as the incredible patience of nature which surrounded her at every turn. Yet there was no-one among her contemporaries with whom she could share her new-found understanding.

Her paintings were the recipients of her profound emotion.



**BIG EAGLE,
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Courtesy of the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria

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her profound emotion.*

It was not until Marius Barbeau, famed ethnologist of the National Museum in Ottawa, was himself travelling among the Pacific Northwest Coast tribes, that Emily Carr's work attracted national interest. The Indians told Barbeau about the

This visit was an overwhelming experience for Carr. For the first time, it seemed to her that she was not alone as an artist. Carr's association with the Group of Seven was strengthened through her friendship with Lawren Harris and the strong acceptance her work received in the East.

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By the mid 1930's, Emily Carr began to achieve the recognition and acclaim of the artistic world. Still considered daring, innovative, a woman ahead of her time, Emily Carr let her work speak for her. And it did.

Her death in 1945 at the age of 74 has not in any way diminished the power of her portrayals; year after year succeeding generations are moved and inspired by Carr's artistry.

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Emily Carr in 1876, a study in Victorian childhood.

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strange white woman who had lived among them, drawing and painting the details of their life.

Emily Carr was 44 years old when Barbeau found her in Victoria and purchased two of her 1912 paintings. She was 56 when she first went to Ottawa for the opening of a major exhibition of West Coast art featuring 26 of the paintings she had done in 1912. And it was then she was introduced to Lawren Harris, A.Y. Jackson and the other Canadian artists who comprised the famed Group of Seven.

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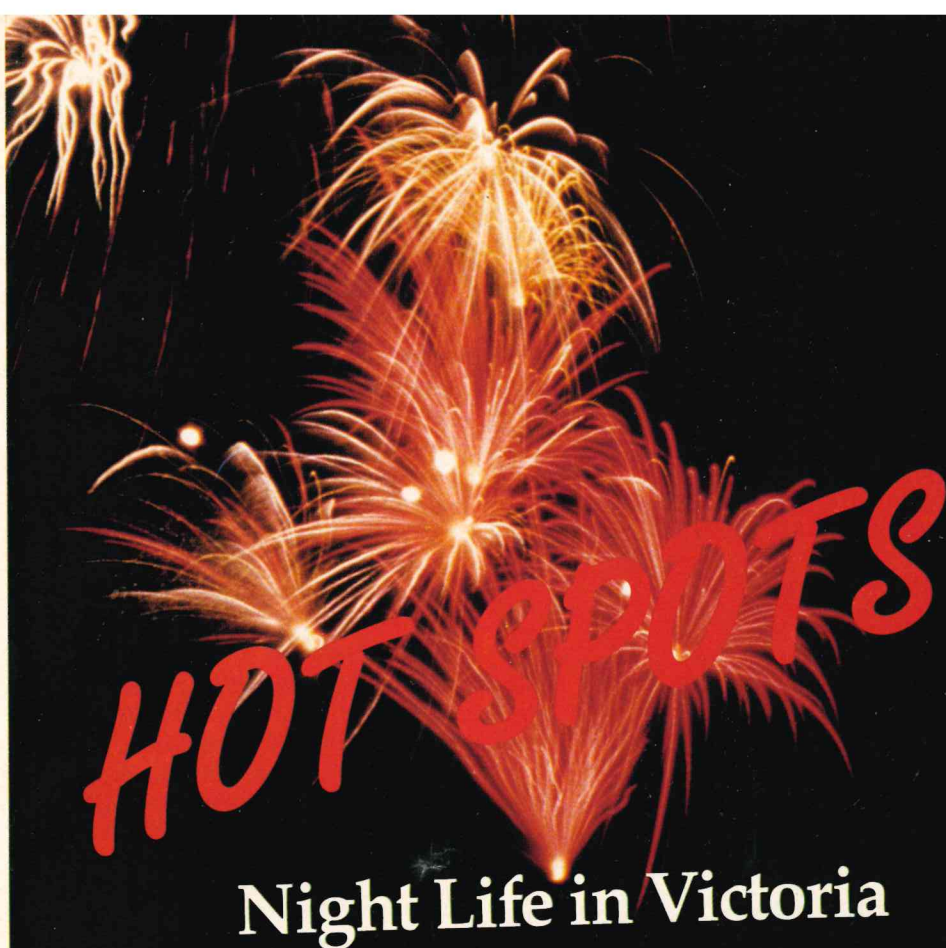
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TODAY'S FINE DINING GUIDE



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"WHERE SHALL WE EAT TONIGHT?"

One of life's little luxuries to be cherished, a luxury which should certainly contribute to our hoard of happy holiday memories, is—not having to do the dishes!

Well, really, look at it this way: we "eat dinner" at home, but when we are on vacation, we "dine out!"

Acknowledge the difference, and revel in the opportunity to sample new gustatory delights. If the number and variety of eating establishments in Greater Victoria is anything to judge by, you could correctly conclude that Victorians take "dining out" seriously.

We invite you to savour the flavour, as it were, and anticipate your mealtime adventures as carefully as you planned the rest of your vacation accommodation, attractions and activities.

Consider this: Victoria is surrounded by ocean waters teeming with scallops, oysters, crab and . . . salmon!

Pacific scallops, B.C. salmon, shrimp and Dungeness crabmeat combine to make an enticing seafood platter. Photographed at Rattenbury's at the Crystal Garden.

Bon Appetit!

WING'S RESTAURANT

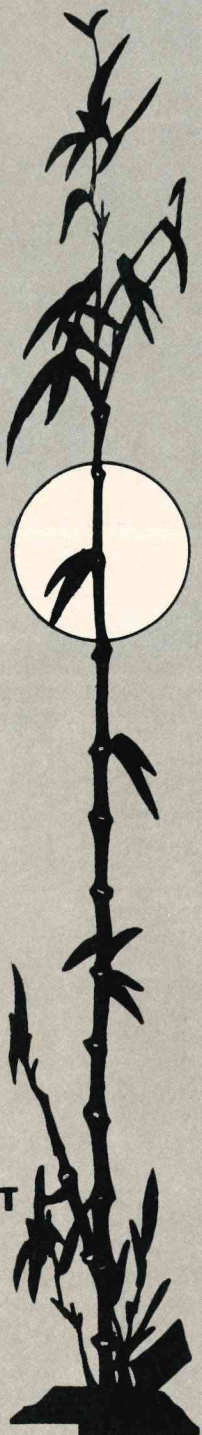
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Victoria is also equated with tradition. Expect therefore to dine on Sir Loin of Beef served in a medieval English atmosphere by serving lads and wenches in 16th century attire.

Ethnic restaurants abound in this town. Plan to experience the cuisine of another country—Vietnam, Greece, China, Japan, Israel, Germany, Holland, India...the world's your oyster, you might say.

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And, speaking of tradition, tongue firmly in cheek, we Victorians pride ourselves on being more English than the English, which means that when it comes to afternoon tea, we simply are the best!

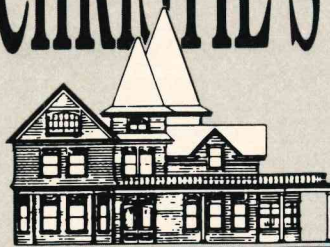
English cream teas are a Victorian delight. To leave this city without having partaken of afternoon tea would be akin to leaving Paris without seeing the Eiffel Tower.

In the listings which follow, we truly believe you will find variety, quality, tradition and countless opportunities for savouring the flavour of Victorian dining. Bon appetit!

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E	— Entertainment
ER	— Ethnic specialties
CM	— Children's Menu
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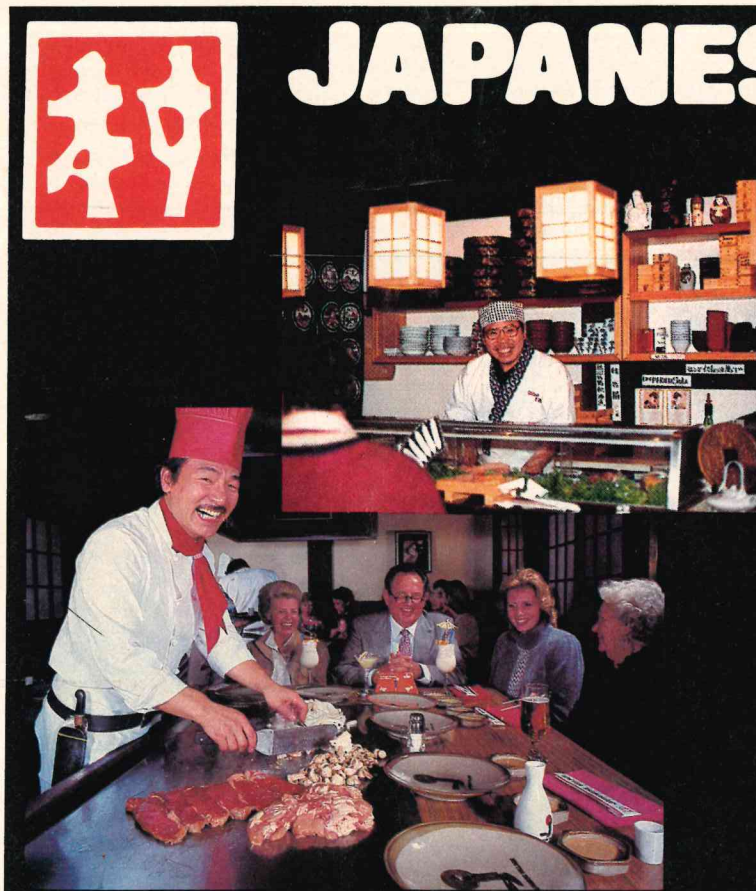
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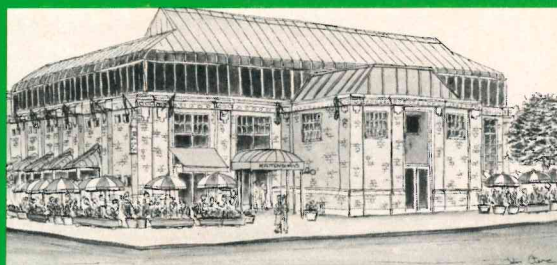
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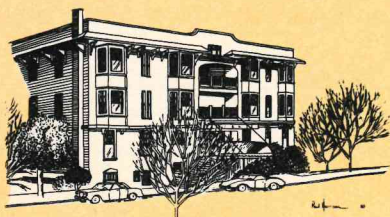


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JUST THE FACTS

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INFORMATION AT A GLANCE

POPULATION — The population of the *City of Victoria*, is 71,190. The term *Greater Victoria* refers to the four "core" municipalities including *Victoria, Oak Bay, Esquimalt and Saanich*. The latter three surround the City of Victoria at its east, west and north boundaries respectively. The population of Greater Victoria is estimated at 196,890.

CLIMATE — The average mean temperature for May in Victoria is 11°C (52°F). Protected by the Olympic Mountains, Victoria enjoys a mild, almost Mediterranean climate.

Our Spring season is early and mild. Summers are warm and dry with temperatures ranging between 15°C and 25°C (62°F and 76°F).

KILOMETERS, KILOGRAMS AND OTHER

METRIC MYSTERIES — Here are some basic conversions which will assist you:

A kilometer (km) is 5/8 of a mile.

A kilogram (kg) is 2.2 lbs.

A meter is approximately 39 inches.

A liter is a little more than 1 quart; 4.5 liters = 1 gallon.

1 hectare (of land) is about 2.2 acres.

250 millilitres (mls) equals 1 cup liquid (8 ozs.)

GRATUITIES — Tips are not usually included in the bill. If you would like to reward someone for good service, 10% to 15% of the total is usual.

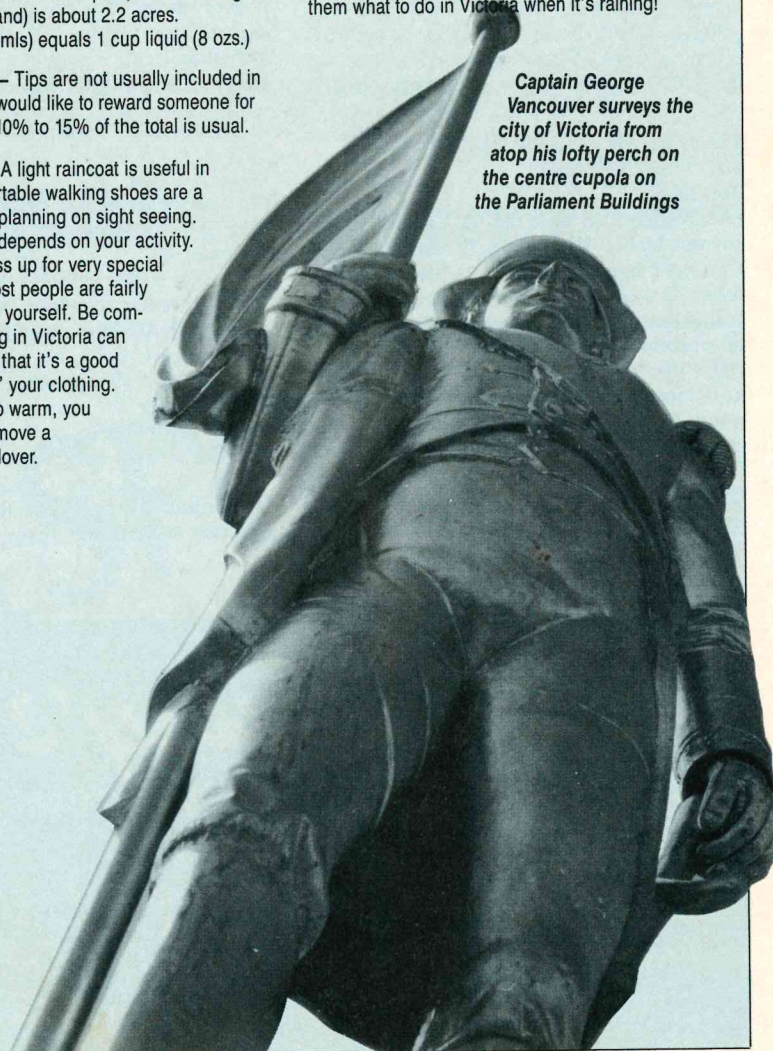
CLOTHING — A light raincoat is useful in Spring, comfortable walking shoes are a must if you're planning on sight seeing. Evening wear depends on your activity. Victorians dress up for very special events, but most people are fairly casual, so suit yourself. Be comfortable! Spring in Victoria can be so variable that it's a good idea to "layer" your clothing. Then, if it's too warm, you can always remove a sweater or pullover.

DRIVING — Two important things to remember: In British Columbia *buckled seatbelts* are the rule; and — *do not drink and drive*. Our laws and penalties for persons apprehended while driving under the influence are among the most severe in Canada.

Of course, you will have many more questions . . . that's why we are inviting you to visit our *Visitor Information Centre* where our friendly well-trained counsellors are eager to do whatever they can to make your stay with us all you hoped for. They have information about what to see, where to go, where to stay, where to eat, what to buy, history, nature tours, art galleries and so on and so on . . . The Information Centre is easy to find. Imagine yourself standing on the lawn in front of the *Empress Hotel* looking out at the harbour. Turn your gaze slightly to the right and you'll be looking at the tall tower of *Tourism Victoria's Information Centre*.

What? It's raining and you don't want to go outside? Just call the Centre at 382-2127 and ask them what to do in Victoria when it's raining!

*Captain George
Vancouver surveys the
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Victoria YESTERDAY

How It All Began

Although Victoria's appearance is that of staid antiquity, its history is comparatively recent and not at all staid.

It began, as did so many Canadian cities and towns, with the Hudson's Bay Fur Trading Company. Its Chief Factor, James Douglas, was looking for a site on which to build a new fort and trading post for the company.

The Indian name for the area on which Fort Victoria was built was "Camosack" and James Douglas declared the area to be a "perfect Eden".

The date was 1842, the fort was established and named Victoria for the Queen of England, Empress of much of the world in those days.

Although the entire island had been home for thousands of years to the first nations of Salish, Nootka, Kwakwaka'wakw and Nimpkish peoples, Victoria was the first European settlement.

In 1846, the Oregon Treaty established the 49th parallel right to the Pacific Ocean as the border between British and American territories. Conveniently, Victoria functioned as headquarters for the British in these days of territorial dispute.

1849 - A Crown Colony

In 1849 Britain declared Vancouver Island to be a Crown Colony under protection and administration of the Hudson's Bay Company. Their mandate was to encourage and assist settlement in and around Fort Victoria.

In fact, things were rather slow to get going although some farms were established, providing a ready supply of fresh

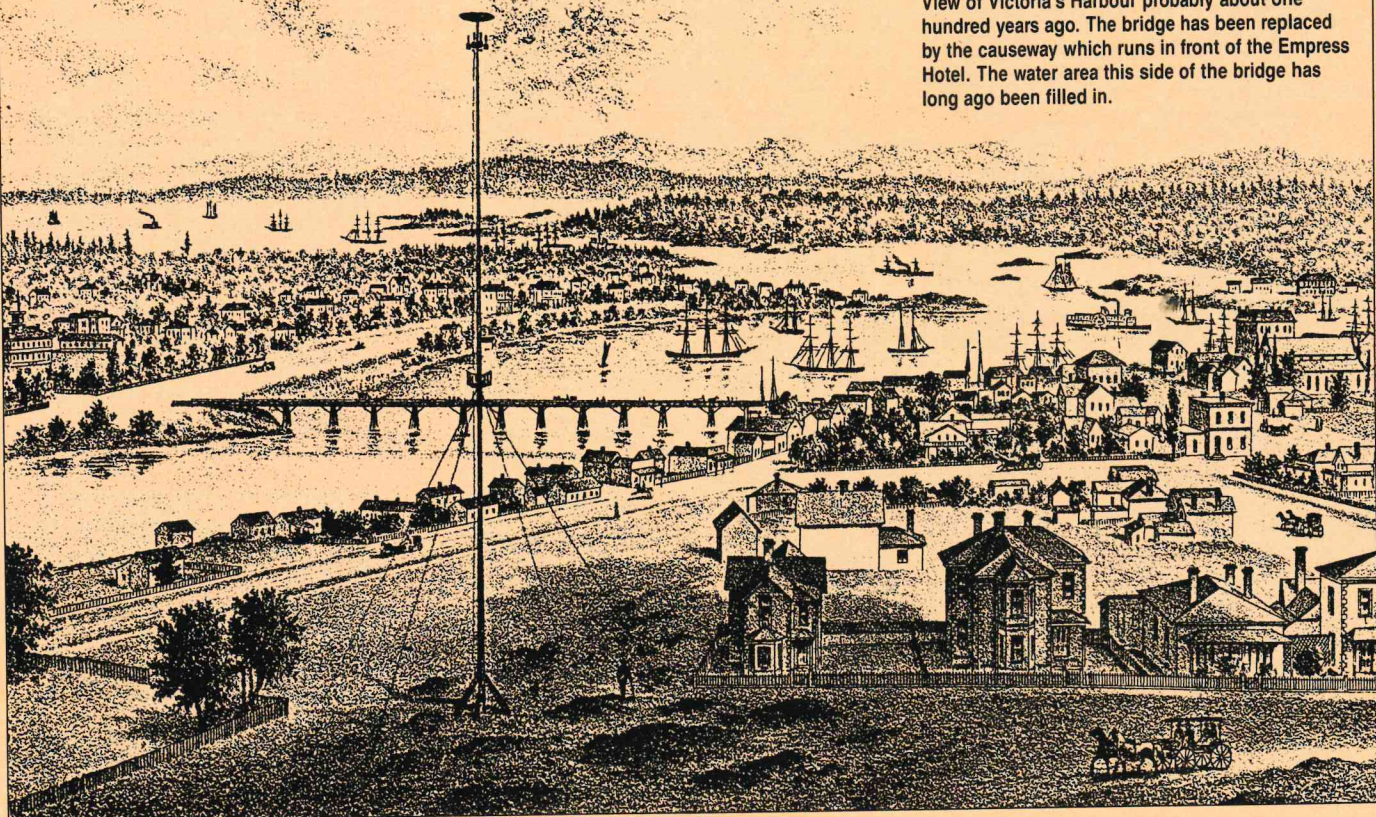
food for the Fort. As Victoria's mild climate began to be understood and appreciated, more settlers were attracted to the area. Roads began to be constructed, providing more employment opportunities.

1858 - Gold Fever

What really put Victoria on the map was the discovery of gold on the mainland of Canada in the Thompson and Fraser River areas.

On a quiet Sunday in late April, 1858, the SS "Commodore" anchored in Victoria's Harbour and disgorged some 450 would-be gold miners. Immediately the small town was over-populated and the resident population couldn't believe its

View of Victoria's Harbour probably about one hundred years ago. The bridge has been replaced by the causeway which runs in front of the Empress Hotel. The water area this side of the bridge has long ago been filled in.



good luck at this influx of ready customers for food and other supplies.

In succeeding days, more and more gold-hungry prospectors landed. Although many had come from the California goldfields, others were from eastern Canada and from as far away as Europe and China.

Many of the Chinese arrivals stayed on and founded Victoria's Chinatown. They brought their relatives over and within a year or two a school, temple and benevolent society were all established. Chinatown flourished and today is a most attractive and bustling part of the old town.

1862 - Canada's First Western City

By 1862, Victoria had grown sufficiently to be pronounced Canada's first western city. Its first newspaper, the "Victoria Gazette", started in 1858. Three other newspapers followed quickly, among them, the "Colonist" whose name survives today in the "Times-Colonist".

The Colonist publisher, William Smith, had changed his name to the more exotic Amor de Cosmos, "lover of the universe". He became as colourful as his name, acquiring high political leadership in British Columbia.

The harbour just west of the city in Esquimalt became an important rendezvous and dockyard for the British fleet and remains so today.

Following the collapse of the gold rush, Victoria lapsed into quietude again, although it was firmly established as a seaport.

Farming, logging, construction and fishing all played their part in the steady development of Victoria, serving the surrounding area and catering to coastal merchant vessels.

1870's - A Distinct Society

As wives and families swelled the population, the city took on a more genteel air and, by the 1870's, a distinct society was enjoying a variety of imported recreational activities such as cricket, lawn tennis, lawn bowling, Christmas Balls and summer garden parties. It was all very British and very proper.

In 1897, a glitteringly grand party was held to celebrate the opening of the new Parliament Buildings and to honor the 60th Anniversary of the reign of Queen Victoria.

Not surprisingly, the Empress Hotel and Craigdarroch Castle (built by the millionaire coalminer Robert Dunsmuir) were the centre of most social activities.

One event, however, which was extremely popular with all residents was the Annual Chinese New Year Celebrations on Fisgard Street at which everyone marvelled at the colourful dragons, oohed at the fireworks and tasted Chinese delicacies sold by street vendors.

With a population today of 71,000+, the City is still not large by international standards. Even with the surrounding municipalities of Oak Bay, Esquimalt and Saanich swelling the population of Greater Victoria to nearly 197,000 we are still small by comparison with other important Canadian cities.

The Ambiance of Victoria

It is the ambiance of Victoria, its mild climate and the warmth of its people that today draws visitors from all over the world.

Although forestry, farming, fishing and construction are still major industries affecting the city, tourism is rapidly becoming one of the city's and indeed, Vancouver Island's, most important facets of our economy.

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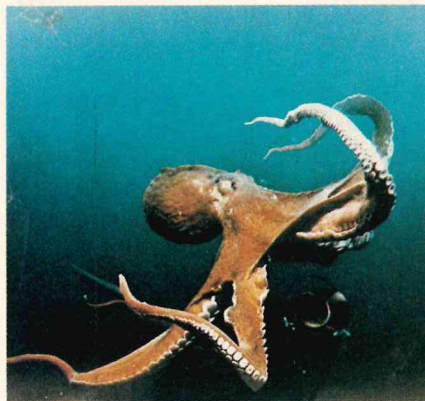
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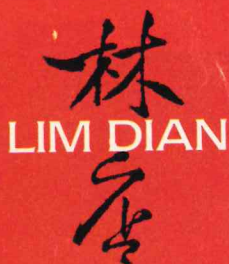


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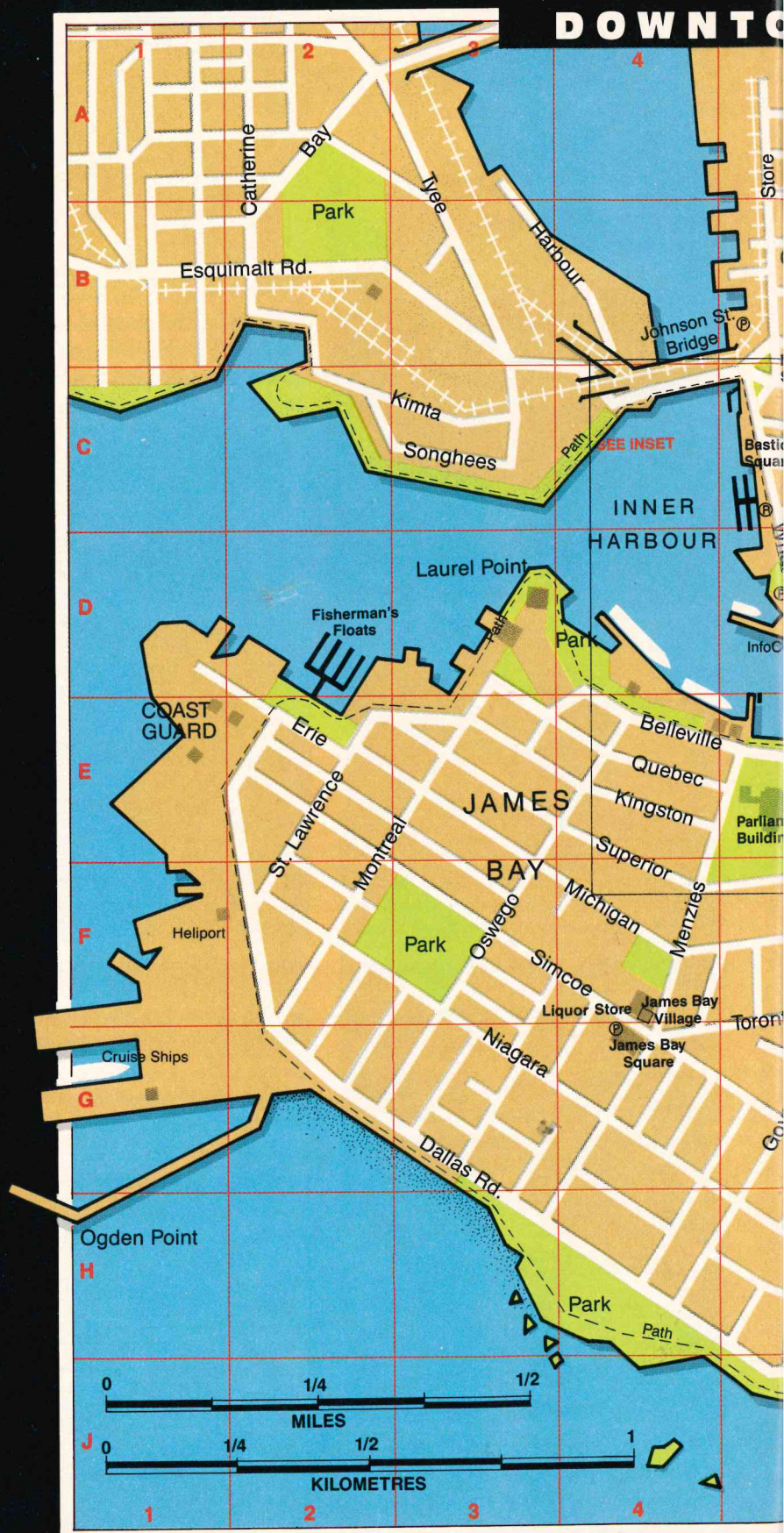
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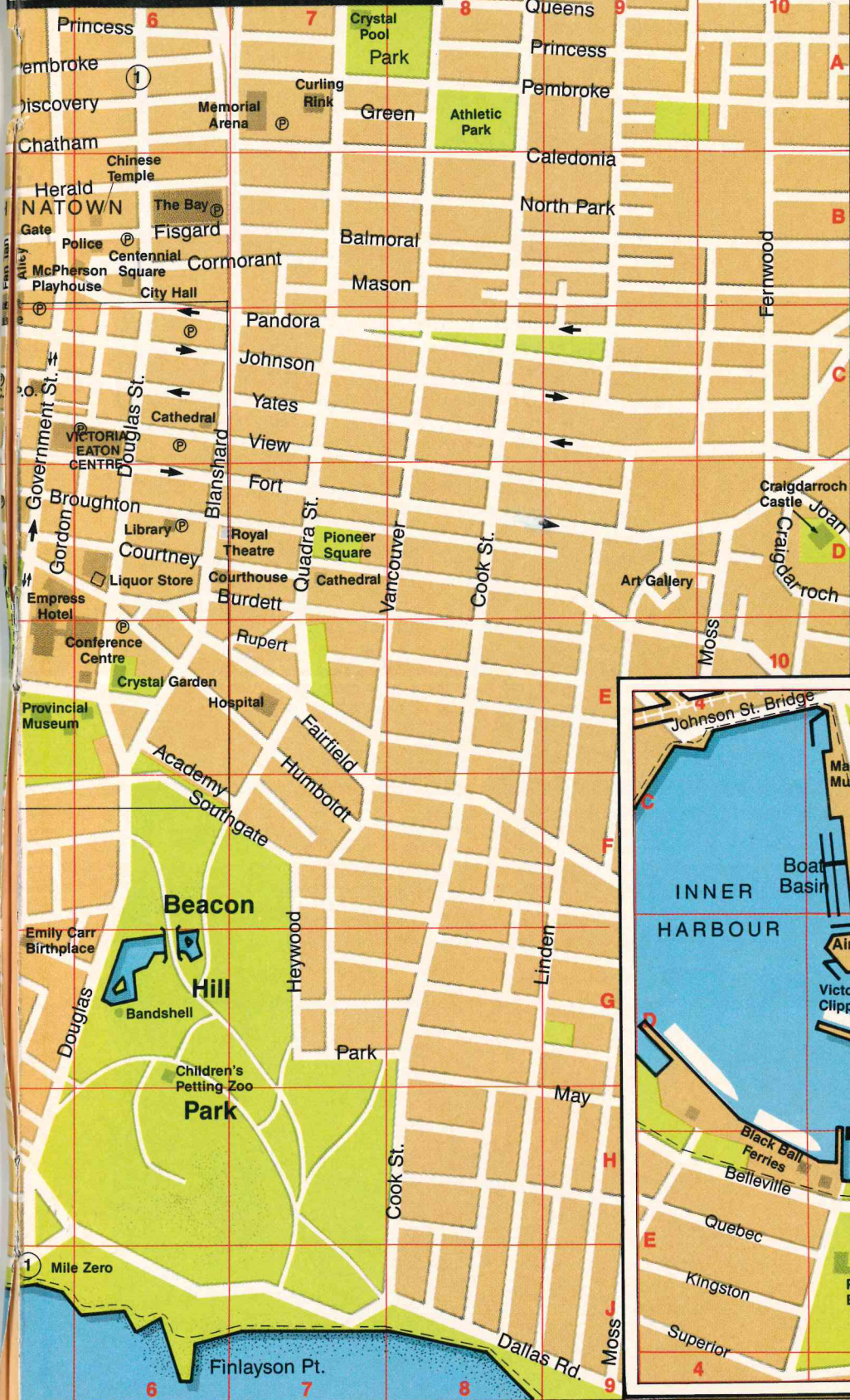
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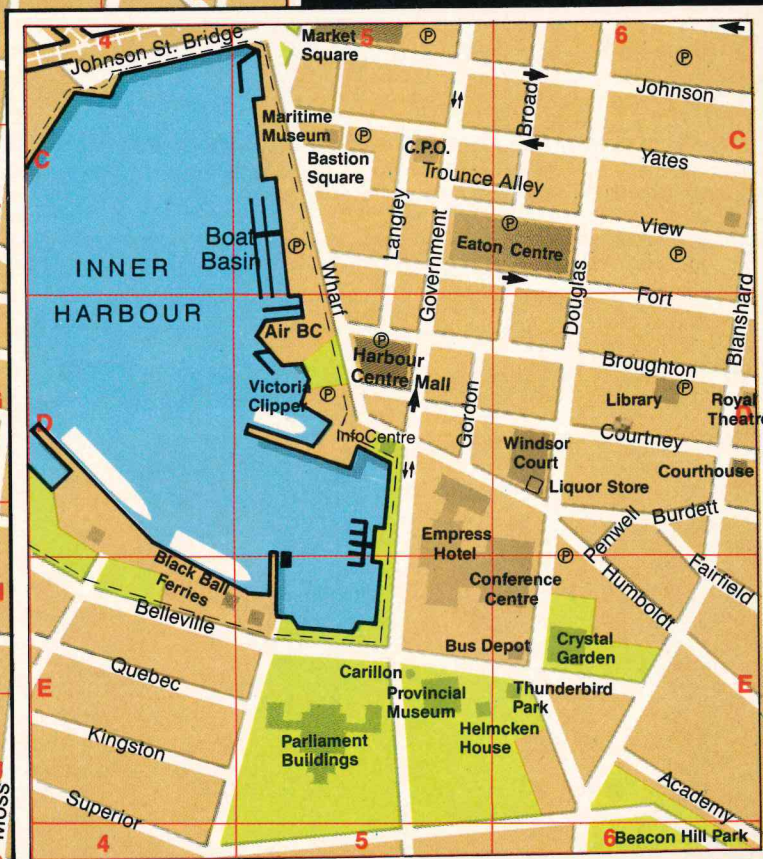
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VICTORIA, SOOKE, SAANICH PENINSULA





One Hundred Years of Country Charm

The small town of Sidney celebrates one hundred years of settlement on the scenic Saanich Peninsula this year. Unlike many other communities, the Peninsula has managed to retain most of its rural nature. Its green forests, rolling meadows, meandering streams and winding country lanes all combine to produce a truly beautiful landscape and enviable lifestyle.

While Sidney, with its tree-lined main street and walk-about waterfront, services

the needs and wants of most Peninsula residents and vacationers, the tiny villages of Brentwood Bay and Saanichton lend their country charm to afford a unique sense of "how things used to be".

Visitors to Vancouver Island who explore the Peninsula, often talk about the sense of contentment and tranquility that seems to pervade the area.

Nevertheless, the Town of Sidney will enjoy a "bit of a bustle" this summer as it highlights a number of centennial celebratory events. (See box)

Some things to enjoy during your visit to the Saanich Peninsula could include: The Sidney Museum (at the Eastern end of Beacon Avenue), the Aviation Museum (Willingdon Road), Port Sidney (marina complex at the Eastern end of Beacon Avenue), the Historical Artifacts Society (east of Hwy. 17 at Island View Road), the Pioneer Museum (Saanichton Fairgrounds), Butchart Gardens (Brentwood Bay), Elk Lake, John Dean Park, Sidney Spit, Institute of Ocean Sciences (Patricia Bay), the Astro-Physical Observatory (W. Saanich Road), Pacific Geoscience Centre (W. Saanich Road), a plethora of country pubs, gourmet and family restaurants, and merchants who own and operate their retail businesses.

Outdoor activities available include hiking, biking, horseback and trailriding, canoeing, kayaking, sailing, rowing, swimming, windsurfing and truly excellent diving.

1991 could be the best year yet to get to know the Saanich Peninsula.

SIDNEY'S CENTENARY EVENTS

May 18-20 Victoria Day Celebrations: various locations around Sidney — bands, maypole dancing, burying of time capsule. Opening of new town bandshell.

June 20-23 Pioneer Days: Pioneers Dinner, Silver Threads Tea, Old-fashion Fashion Show. Open house at Saanich Historical Artifacts Assn. Heritage tours.

June 29-30, July 1 100th Birthday Party, Sidney Days/Canada Day Celebrations.

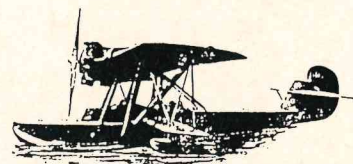
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Sept. 20-22 Music Festival

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There are sights and adventures enough for everyone when you travel west or north of Victoria.

Take the road west to Sooke, Jordan River and Port Renfrew. In less than an hour, you'll be deep in the heart of the Southwest coast and driving through farm lands, logging areas and along dramatic shorelines. Pick up maps at any Information Centre along the way. There are beaches to walk, nature trails to follow, hiking trails graded from easy to difficult, villages to wander around, teahouses perched on bluffs overlooking the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

Highway No. 1 takes you north, first over the Malahat Mountain which has a number of viewpoints that will have you reaching for your camera. On a

clear day, you can see, well, not quite forever, but certainly over the Saanich Peninsula to the state of Washington, U.S.A. That's Mount Baker on the horizon, about a hundred miles away as the crow flies.

Mill Bay, Whippletree Junction, Duncan (the City of Totems), Crofton, Chemainus, Ladysmith and Nanaimo are some of the communities through which you will pass — each with its own distinctive character and stories to tell.

Most of these towns and others you will discover as you travel further north are built on logging or mining, with fishing also playing a role in the economic stability of the area. Now, tourism is increasingly important to the livelihood of the residents.

It's a good idea to get yourself a guidebook to Vancouver Island. Your travelling companions can take it in turns to read the commentary on each landmark you encounter.

If you are just touring, you may want to spend a night at Nanaimo or at Parksville. Both offer excellent accommodation and good restaurants (from fast food to truly elegant).

Now you are at a crossroads: If you leave Highway 1 and turn west on to Highway 4, you can visit Port Alberni, the Salmon Fishing Capital of the World, and then, after a drive past Sproat Lake and through Sutton Pass, arrive at the West Coast with its wonderful Pacific Rim National Park and the charming villages of Ucluelet and Tofino.

If you decide to continue North, you can visit the lovely Comox Valley with the Forbidden Plateau towering above the land to the West and the sea and wide sandy beaches tempting you on the eastern side.

Courtenay and Comox are hospitable towns with good amenities. Fishing, boating and beachcombing are options you may want to consider.

Head North again to Campbell River, which like Port Alberni, also claims the title of the Salmon Fishing Capital of the World. Campbell River is the place, too, for wonderful fresh water fishing in nearby lakes and streams as well as being famed for its fishing charter operations.

The road heads North yet again, passing through small logging towns

until it finally ends at Port Hardy. Here, if you wish, you can board the B.C. Ferry "Queen of the North" and cruise the famous Inland Passage to Prince Rupert on the mainland.

Of course, you could have headed west from Campbell River to visit the town of Gold River and its famous caves. And then boarded the *Uchuck III* for a cruise around Friendly Cove in Nootka Sound. That's where Captain James Cook was the first European to step ashore on to what is now British Columbia.

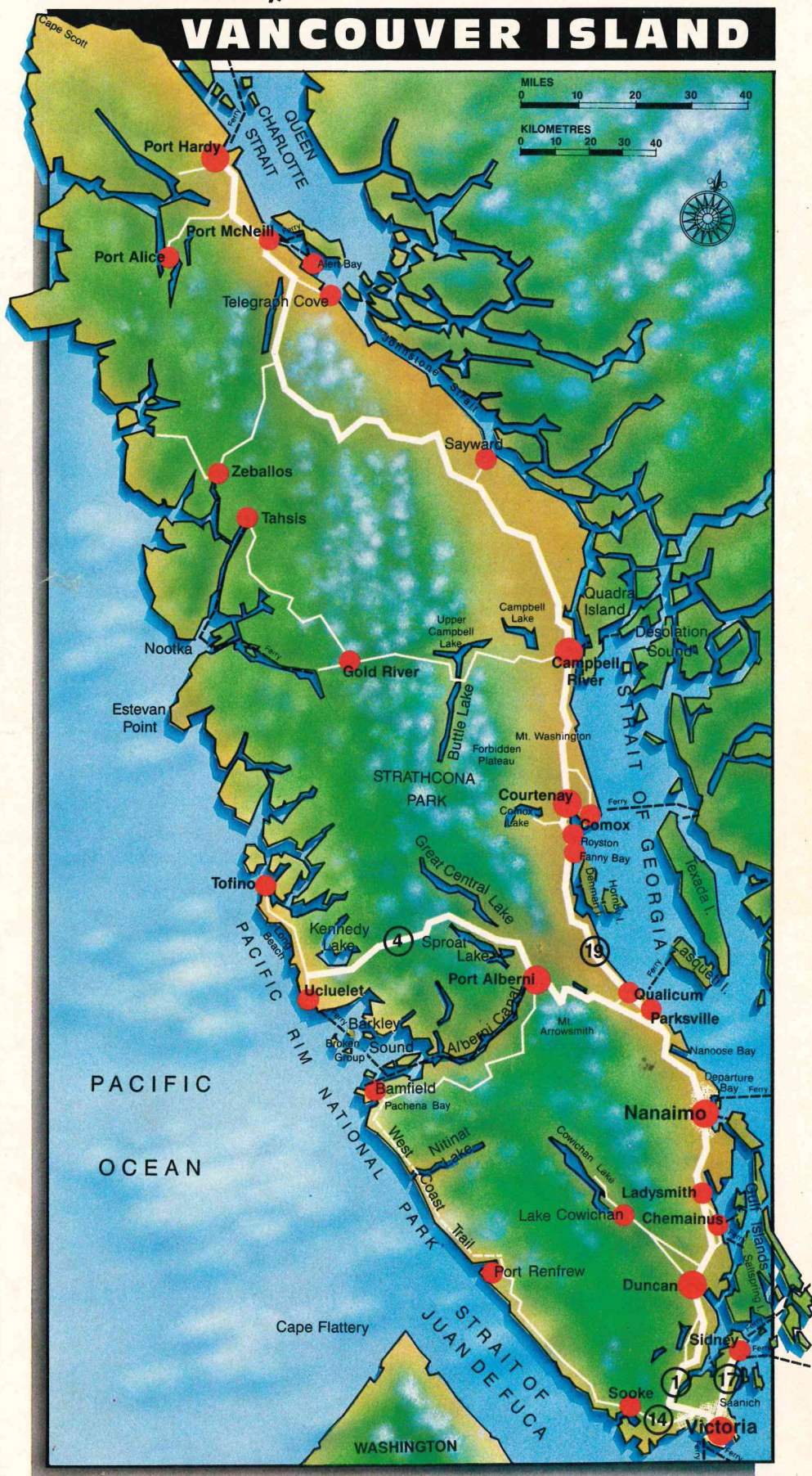


Along the route of your travels, you will encounter numerous attractions, museums, parks and beaches, native Indian artifacts, art galleries and logging displays. You can take a steam train ride, view the murals at Chemainus, the 60 totem poles at Duncan, canoe the Great Central Lake, visit any one of dozens of summer festivals, stroll through mountain meadows strewn with wild flowers, sail in a stiff breeze at Maple Bay, visit an active logging area, windsurf on Nitinat Lake, hike the West Coast Trail, call in at the coal museum in Nanaimo, make time for the music festival at Courtenay, fish from the famous pier at Campbell River, cruise down the Alberni Inlet on the MV "Lady Rose", catch a motocross event at Holberg, build sandcastles on the beach at Parksville, go on a whale-watching expedition from Ucluelet, watch eagles soaring overhead, and great blue herons standing like Chinese statuary at the edge of the tide.

You can even pan for gold or watch an authentic Cowichan Indian sweater being put together.

The "Big Island" has all this and much more. But those who really try to find out what Vancouver Island is all about will discover a special reward. and that is a real appreciation of the environment that exists here. It's the stuff that treasured memories are made of.

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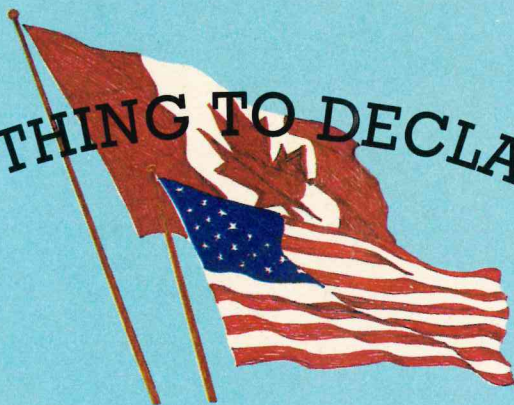
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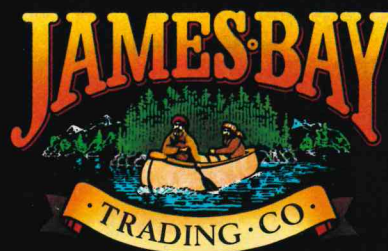


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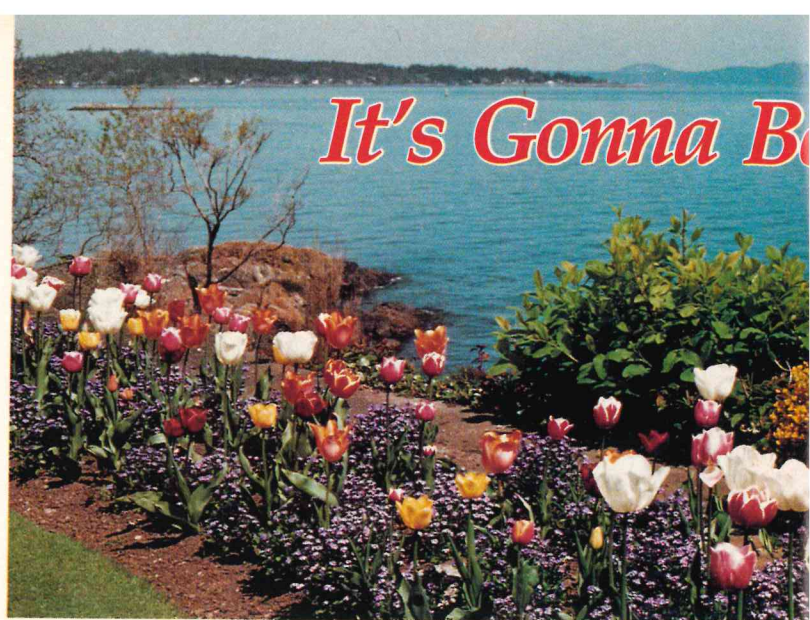
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The **Victoria Symphony** under its Music Director, Maestro Peter McCoppin, celebrates its 50th Anniversary this year. A full slate of concerts and special performances are listed in our "This Month in Victoria" column on page 8.

The merry month of May is highlighted by two major events: the **May 24th long Weekend** (it used to be a holiday to celebrate Queen Victoria's birthday) and **Swiftsure**: the annual sailboat classic that brings out the very best (and zaniest) of Victoria's nautical heritage.

In May, too, **whale-watching** around Victoria begins in earnest. Expeditions of two to three hours' duration can be arranged to view Orca in its natural habitat.

June, the month of roses, when Butchart Gardens is perhaps at the height of glorious technicolour splendour, is also the month when the folks in very British Oak Bay, tweak aside the tweed curtain to invite everyone to the annual **Oak Bay Tea Party**. Festivities take place at Willows Beach and are presided over by Mr. and Mrs. Tweedy. Teacup Race, anyone?

In June, too, the **5th Annual Victoria International Boat Races** are held in the city's Inner Harbour and at nearby Elk Lake. The world's top rowers compete in this series which is billed as one of the five



June — International Boat Races

top rowing events in the world.

Later in the month, the **22nd Annual Gorge Canoe Regatta** makes its annual splash, with both serious and fun races along the popular waterway.

Canada Day celebrations throughout Greater Victoria are held on July 1st, mixing traditional pomp and ceremony with festive fun, cake-cutting, flagraising, picnics and carnival-like parties everywhere.

Band concerts are held regularly in Beacon Hill Park and at the Fort Rodd Hill National Park all summer long. Weekend newspapers tell where, when and who.

Summer theatre at the **University of Victoria's Phoenix Theatre** is an annual "must-see"; both Victoria's **McPherson** and **Belfry Theatres** mount special summer productions that manage to be sell-out hits each year.

A special summer highlight each July and August is the **Victoria International Festival of Music**. For six weeks, a series of approximately 30 concerts are held nightly at various venues, featuring some of the world's most highly-acclaimed classical musicians.

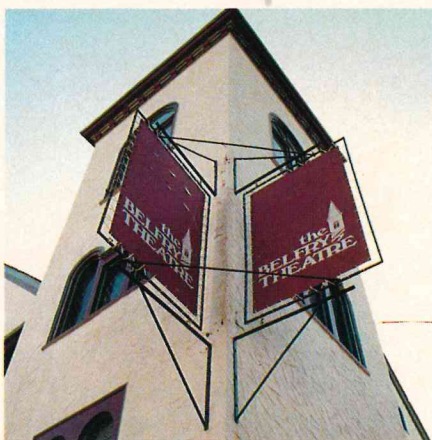
a Great Summer!



And July would not be July without the world-famous **All Sooke Day**, at which loggers from around the world meet to compete in a variety of hair-raising logging sports. A salmon barbecue is a popular feature of this event, as easy to take as falling off a log!

Sooke is also the locale for Vancouver Island's largest juried art show, this year **Fine Arts '91**, exhibiting the work of over one hundred of the Island's finest artists and artisans.

An event which attracts both residents and visitors each year, is the **First Peoples' Festival**. The site is on the grounds of the Royal British Columbia Museum. Vancouver Island's native peoples dance, drum, tell stories and serve fragrant and flavourful barbecued salmon for three days of friendship and celebration. Canoe rides in ornately-carved dugout canoes are a popular feature of this spectacular event. And the spirit of friendship prevails with visitors joining in tribal dances that have existed for a thousand years.



Summer Theatre Productions

Winding up the summer is the **Classic Boat Festival** held annually in the Inner Harbour on the Labour Day weekend. This is very much a "people event" with hundreds of classic vessels, large and

small, all shipshape and Bristol fashion competing for a variety of titles and awards. A sailpast, harbour races and afloat and ashore entertainment are delightful features of the festival.

September is also the month of the **Fringe Festival**. For nearly two weeks, street entertainers, actors, dancers and musicians entertain at various outdoor locations in the old town.

In October, it's **British Fortnight** when Victorians enjoy a good laugh at themselves and their supposed connections with the Old Country. Rule Britannia and all that!

November brings us out for the



October — Goldstream, salmon spawning

symphony, the opera and theatre, trips out to **Goldstream Park** to watch the salmon spawning and down to Dallas Road to watch the first storm of the season.

November also finds Victoria and its environs awash in **arts and crafts shows**. Local newspapers list times and locales. Opportunities for highest quality artistry and workmanship; one-of-a-kind bargains can be found too by shoppers with sharp eyes.

Perhaps there aren't quite as many visitors around Victoria in December as there are in June, but spirits are high with **Sing-Along Messiah**, **Nutcracker Suite**, and a genuine **British Pantomime** for your entertainment. And oh yes, **Santa Claus** comes to town on his sleigh although we have to admit, it's not very often that he encounters a White Christmas in Victoria.

Visitors, vacations and Victoria — they go well together, don't you think?

The welcome mat is out — all year long.

ANNUAL IN VICTORIA CELEBRATIONS

May 18-20

Victoria Day Celebrations

May 24-26

Swiftsure Race Weekend

June 1-2

Oak Bay Tea Party

June 21-30

Jazz Fest International

June 23-July 1

Folk Fest

July-August

Victoria International Festival

July 1

Canada Day Celebrations

July 1

Sidney Days

July 20

All-Sooke Day

July 20-28

Sooke Festival of History

August 3-11

Fine Arts '91 — Sooke

August 5

Victoria Air Show
International Airport

August 16-18

SunFest

August 31-September 2

123rd Annual Agricultural Fair,
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August 30-September 2

Classic Boat Festival

September 18-29

Fringe Festival

October 18-November 3

British Fortnight

December 31

First Night



VICTORIA

THE SHOPHOUND'S DELIGHT

Government Street — Here, in the first few blocks of the downtown shopping area, is where one finds the best of the city's British imports — top quality bone china, leaded crystal, woollens, men's and women's clothing, shoes, fabrics and toiletries. Plus all kinds of gifts for the folks back home — souvenirs, T-shirts and candy.

Fort Street — Best known to shoppers as "Antique Row", Fort Street is indeed a magnet for those persons with a penchant for collecting things.

Most of this collectors' Mecca is concentrated on Fort Street between Blanshard and Cook Streets. There you'll find stamps, coins, estate jewellery, rare books, antique crystal, china, furniture, paintings and other works of art. As you leave the downtown core and proceed East on Fort Street, you'll encounter several tasteful bakeries along the way and a number of fine restaurants, especially in the "700 block".

Lower Johnson Street — Often referred to as the "Old Town" area, Johnson Street is home to some of the best of Victoria's handsomely refur-

bished emporia. The stores are colourful and eclectic with a sort of quirky identity uniquely their own. Recycled high fashion junk shares the street with exquisite hand-fashioned jewellery from Asia and the finest in ski and hiking apparel. Expect the unexpected along with splendid arts and crafts shops, some excellent restaurants. And don't miss the multi-levelled *Market Square* with its row upon row of specialty shops, a pleasant courtyard with wooden benches from which you can survey the lively scene which surrounds you.

Chinatown — Just two blocks over from Johnson Street to Fisgard, one arrives in Chinatown. Enter through the spectacular red, gold and black *Gate of Harmonious Interests* into a world of oriental art and treasures, scattered among stores which sell the more basic necessities of life, oriental foods, barbecued meats and ancient herbal remedies for what ails you. Take time to browse in the shops . . . you will revel in a new experience. There are also some really worthwhile galleries on this fascinating street as well as a number of restaurants and cafes serving excellent Chinese fare from Canton, Hunan and Szechuan provinces.

BORN TO SHOP? OR DO YOU CRINGE AT THE very thought? No matter! whichever category you fit into, Victoria merchants try their best to make it a happy experience for you.

From postcards to paintings, chocolate to crystal, fabric to fine china, Victoria's shopping opportunities are both plentiful and superb.

Our shopping areas are also compact, the selection of both domestic and imported goods is excellent and (especially if you come from South of the 49th Parallel), you'll be pleasantly surprised at the bargain prices available in many fine stores.

Oak Bay — Just a ten-minute drive from downtown, you'll find yourself "Behind the Tweed Curtain". This is an affectionate term for the Municipality of Oak Bay which adjoins the City of Victoria's eastern border. In Oak Bay, considered the "most British" of Canadian municipalities, you'll find a wonderful array of boutiques and specialty stores on *Oak Bay Avenue*, as well as an authentic British tearoom. Designer clothing, English toffees, fish and chips stores, new age toys and games, crafts and jewellery and much, much more, as they say.

SHOPPING MALLS — Victoria boasts 4 large shopping malls including the brand-new **Eaton Centre** on Government Street downtown. Four large floors filled with a variety of stores, the Eaton Centre has already established itself as a popular people place.

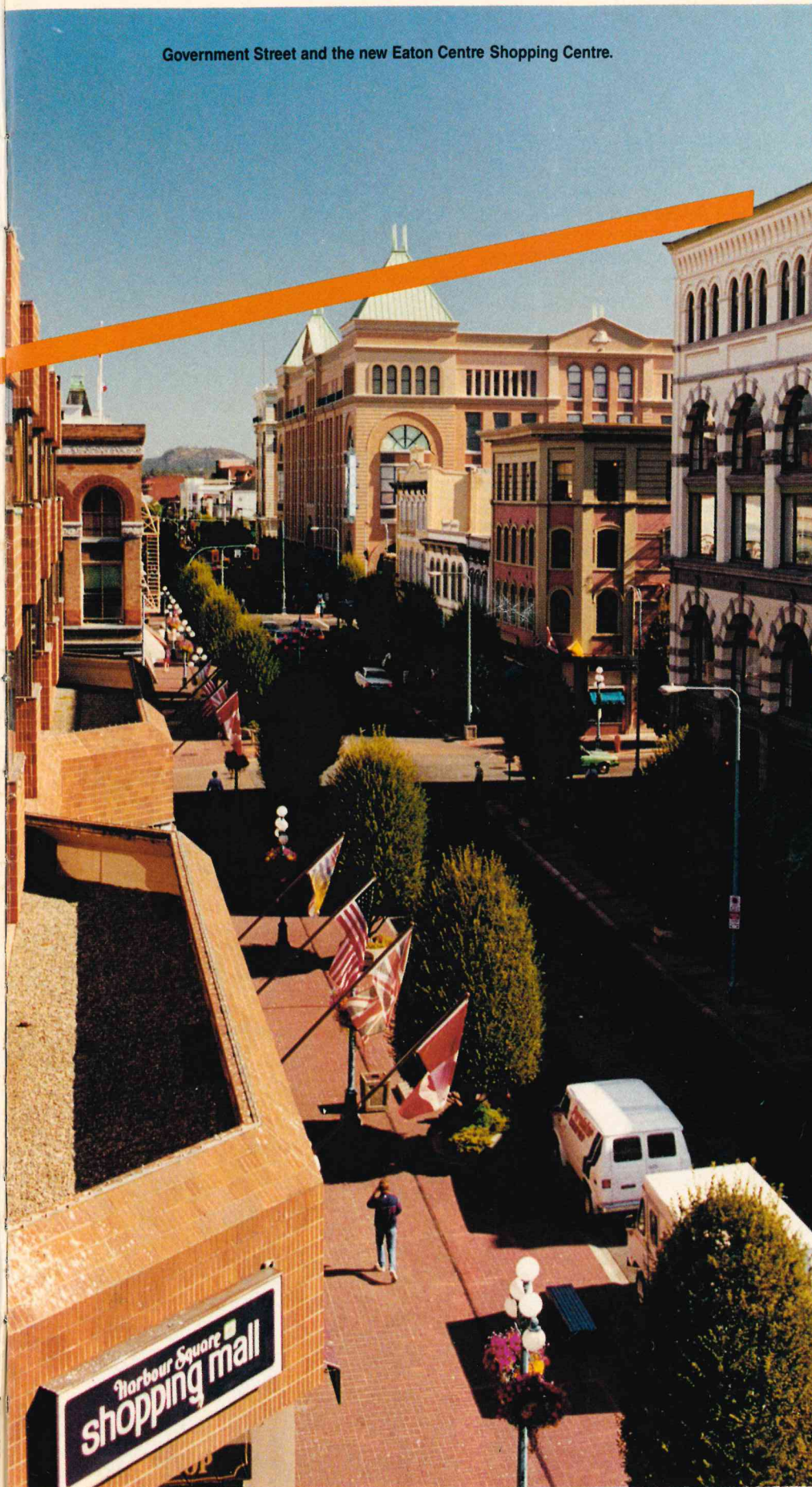
THE HILLSIDE MALL is noted for its colourful market replete with foodstuffs, fancy baking, and an imaginative collection of boutiques.

OVER AT MAYFAIR, fashion leads the way while the centre is anchored at Woodward's Department Store.

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Government Street and the new Eaton Centre Shopping Centre.




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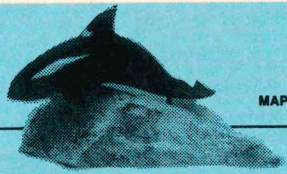


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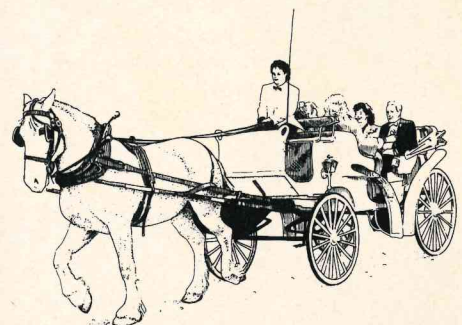


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In New York, it would be Fifth Avenue. In Los Angeles, you would head for Rodeo Drive. In Vancouver, it's Robson Street.

Victoria is no exception. Some of our finest stores can be found on and adjacent to lower **Government Street**, just a pebble toss from our best-known landmark, the **Empress Hotel**.

Four of Victoria's most interesting retail establishments are located in this area. With their commitment to the highest standards, they would be right at home in any of the shopping areas in the cities mentioned.

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Your plans to "do Government Street" in a morning will certainly be demolished when you set foot in **THE QUEST** and its companion gallery, **GALLERY OF THE ARCTIC**.

The array of exquisite artistic items and the display arrangement in this building will cause you to linger, long after it's time to move on!

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Looking north on Government Street, circa 1920.

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THE GALLERY OF THE ARCTIC was founded by The Quest for one primary purpose: to further the work of Inuit artists of northern Canada. The Gallery is well-known by North American collectors for the quality of the work displayed. It is also one of the registered galleries chosen by the **Eskimo Art Council** for important exhibitions.

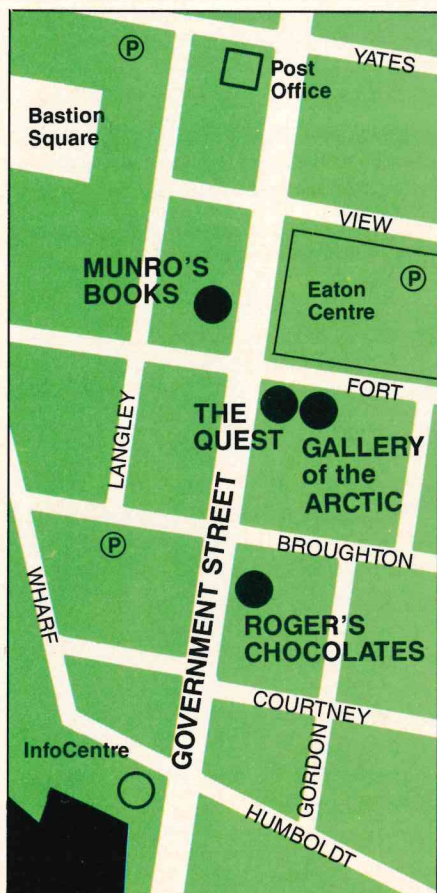
It is truly a wonderful place to visit, browse, experience and enjoy. The gallery staff are all very knowledgeable about the pieces displayed and will be happy to share their knowledge with you.

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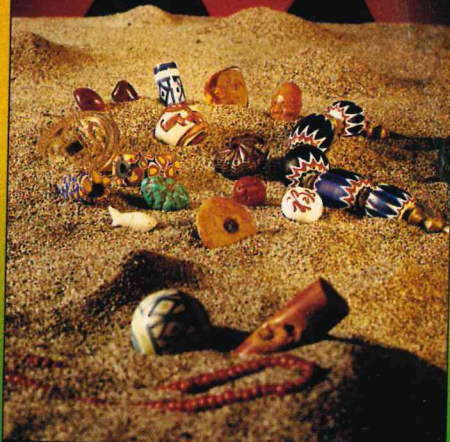
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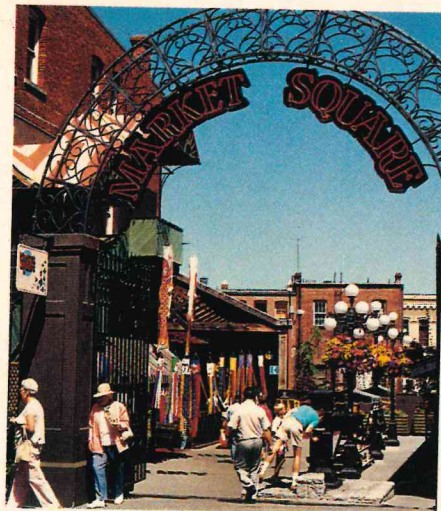
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Market Square's original brick buildings are over a hundred years old, having been constructed in the 1880s during a period of growth and prosperity in Victoria. Lumber, coal, sealskins and salmon were in great demand and shiploads of these products left from Victoria regularly bound for the world's marketplaces.

Unlike many other heritage attractions in Victoria, Market Square could never be construed as being a "bit of Olde England". Rather, it was the location for more earthy happenings — ship's chandlers, foundries, opium houses, manufacturers, hotels and saloons, and a scattering of shops.

Frequented by sailors, Indians, miners, Chinese immigrants and what were euphemistically referred to as "tarnished doves", Market Square must have been both lively and interesting to visit in its heyday.

Today, it's still lively and still interesting. Market Square is a shopping centre, a playground, a performer's stage, a meeting place, an artist's inspiration, a backdrop for a solitary flute-player and a lover's trysting place — all rolled into one fascinating large courtyard surrounded on all four sides by 3 tiers of unusual boutiques, shops, ethnic restaurants and even a small theatre.

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Even if they knew little about our city before coming here, visitors to Victoria often say they can feel a sense of history in the architecture and the layout of the city.

Now vacationers can, if they wish, take a deeper look at Victoria's past to gain an inkling of what life was like in this city a century (or much more) ago.

"Heritage on the Hoof" offers an opportunity to visit each of several heritage attractions free of charge during the weekend of May 3 to 5 only. Each of the properties mentioned below is open to the public at intervals throughout the year. However, during **Heritage on the Hoof** weekend, special events are added to enhance these intriguing glimpses into the past.

If you're really ambitious, you could visit them all in one day, but to give you time to enjoy and digest the unique flavour of each one, spread your visits out over two or three days.

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CARR HOUSE

207 Government Street

- Built in the 1860's, the birthplace of one of Canada's foremost artists and authors, Emily Carr. Partially restored, the house includes many reproductions of her works. Heritage Weekend event: Special tours (May 3) by Emily Carr herself (portrayed by a costumed interpreter). Refreshments available. Regular hours: Open May 16, Thursday through Monday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Small admission charge.

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- Built by coal baron Sir Robert Dunsmuir for his Scottish wife, the castle took three years to complete. Dunsmuir died before it was completed. With four floors and 20,000 square feet, the castle is well maintained and furnished. The cost of building Craigdarroch was \$200,000 (about \$4 million in today's currency) but that was before GST! In fact, it would cost many times that sum to build it today. Heritage Weekend Special Events include Billiards Demonstrations 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 4 and Sunday, May 5. The Victoria College Alumni Association will have displays depicting the years when the castle was used as a school. May 3, 4 and 5, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Storyteller Penny Draper welcomes children on Saturday and Sunday, May 3 and 4 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Victoria Quiltmakers Guild will have quilting demonstrations on May 3, 4, and 5 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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Heritage weekend Special Events: Tours of the Schoolhouse and Farmhouse with special kitchen baking demonstrations and piano programme in the morning room, May 4 at 1 p.m. (free admission); Agricultural practices and kitchen garden demonstrations. Regular Hours: May 19, 20, 26 - 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Small admission charge).

FORT RODD HILL NATIONAL HISTORIC PARK

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- A colourful part of Canada's historic heritage 15 minutes from downtown Victoria. Exhibits, friendly staff, a picnic area and acres of beautiful grounds where the deer (but not the antelope) roam. Add to this the old stone fort with its scary dungeons and the very photographable Fisgard Lighthouse and you have the makings of a pleasant afternoon. Heritage Weekend Special Event: Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 3, 4 and 5 - 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. complete guided tour with knowledgeable guides. Includes Fisgard Lighthouse and the Fort. Each tour takes about 1½ hours. Free.

HELMCKEN HOUSE

Adjacent to Royal B.C. Museum

- This is the oldest house in B.C. open to the public. Former home of Dr. J.S. Helmcken, pioneer doctor and first Speaker in the Vancouver Island Legislative Assembly. The home is filled with relics illustrating his fascinating career, including one of Canada's finest nineteenth century medical collections. 1991 marks the Golden Jubilee of Helmcken House as a Provincial heritage attraction. Heritage Weekend Special Event: May 3 (free admission) Tours by costumed interpreters and piano programme in the parlour. Regular hours May 16 to June 30, Thursday - Monday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Small admission charge).

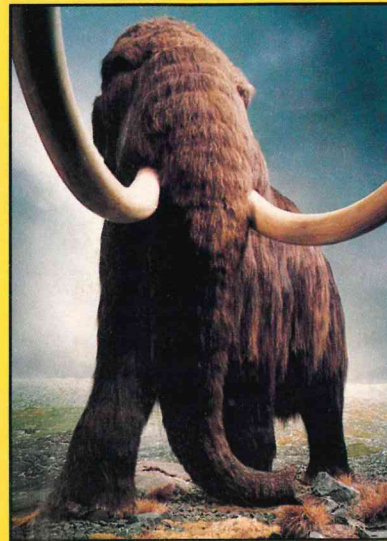
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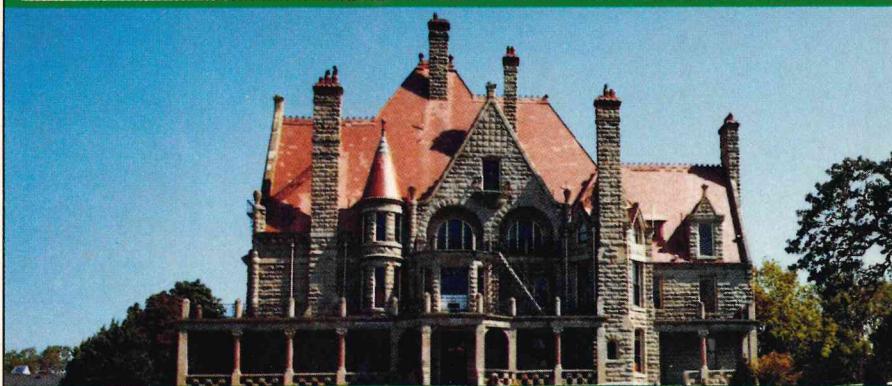


Craigdarroch Castle

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A lavish 1890 mansion built for coal baron Robert Dunsmuir.

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ON SATURDAY, MAY 4TH, AT the 50th Anniversary Gala, when the last thundering chords of Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 4 in "F minor" die away, to be replaced by the thunderous applause of an appreciative audience, members of the Victoria Symphony Orchestra under their Music Director Peter McCoppin and their General Manager, Stephen Smith, will have much cause for celebration.

Their Gala Performance at the Royal

Theatre on May 4, 1991 marks 50 years of classical music by this immensely popular orchestra.

While some of those years were characterized by struggles to stay alive financially, this 50th year has been remarkable for both its musical and financial successes. All concerned with the orchestra deserve the congratulations and thanks of thousands of music lovers who have enjoyed their performances over a period spanning half a century.

VICTORIA SYMPHONY SUMMER CONCERT LISTINGS The Vancouver Symphony in Victoria

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August 9, 16, 23, 30, 8:00 p.m. - The Victoria Symphony Summer Pops Festival, Royal Theatre, Blanshard & Broughton Streets,
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Emily Carr

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The Art Gallery's Summer exhibit, caringly and meticulously assembled by Chief Curator Nicholas Tuele, displays 35 of the artist's finest works, plus sketches, notebooks and photographs.

The acclaimed author of several books, Carr's way with words is an incisive and insightful as her paintings. Her "House of All Sorts" and "The Book of Small" are classics in their essays and sketches of life in Victoria during Carr's era.

That Carr was an "artist's artist" is evident from a list of some of her friends: Lawren Harris, A.Y. Jackson, Statira Frame and Jack Shadbolt are four major Canadian artists who were contemporaries of Carr. Fine examples of their work are an integral part of this AGGV exhibition.

Statira Frame was a personal friend of Emily Carr and visited her in Victoria on occasion. Her work shows a love of warmth and colour and offers an interesting contrast in her studies of West Coast life when compared with the passion of much of Emily Carr's work.

In this important exhibition, Emily Carr is accorded the kind of recognition she richly deserved but seldom received during her lifetime in Victoria.

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It is reported that golf was brought to Victoria and Vancouver Island by one Wastie Green, some time in the early 1880's. Mr. Green brought his mashies and niblicks and had them displayed in a stationer's shop window in the city with a sign reading "These golf sticks — the national game of Scotland." (Whatever happened to hurling and curling, I wonder?)

The earliest golf links to be established in Greater Victoria were at Macaulay Point in Esquimalt. Two Royal Marine Artillery officers set up a 9-hole course in 1887. It remained in active use until the 1920's. From this humble beginning was established the Uplands Golf Club which was

located (and is still) on Cadboro Bay Road.

In 1893, Sir Richard Musgrave of Ireland, an officer of Her Majesty Queen Victoria's Royal Navy, founded the Victoria Golf Club. Its backdrop of ocean and distant mountains provides an unusually beautiful setting.

James Dunsmuir, son of coal baron Robert Dunsmuir (builder of Craigdarroch Castle), donated part of his estates at Colwood to construct another golf course in 1913. Under the gracious patronage of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales (later King George V), it became the Royal Colwood Golf and Country Club. An 18-hole course, it enjoys a location of heritage oaks and giant Douglas firs.

The newest addition in Greater Victoria is the Olympic View Golf Course, straddling three municipalities (Langford, Colwood and Metchosin) in the Western communities. This beautiful public course was opened in May 1990 and gained immediate acceptance with both residents and visitors.

Given Victoria's "banana belt" reputa-

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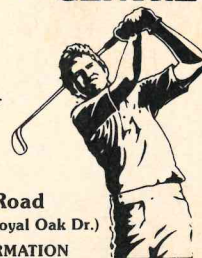
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Sooke Summer



NESTLED AT THE FOOT OF a landscape of forested hills, the village of Sooke faces on to the beautiful Olympic Mountains. The harbour is a haven for yachters, sheltered as it is from the Strait by Whiffin Spit. This narrow neck of land is ideal for a casual hour's hiking and beachcombing.

The lure of the big salmon calls fishermen from all over the world to the area and there are several marinas available to cater to their boating needs. Many fishing charters provide the fisherman with a guide experienced in the ways of big fish, fishing tackle and bait and some will even supply brunch or high tea. There are also boats to hire for the more experienced fisherman who likes to fish alone.

If the angler prefers fresh water fishing, local lakes are stocked with bass, rainbow and cutthroat trout.

Eating in the Sooke area is an adventure in itself. Local restaurants provide delicious seafood meals, homemade

soups and exquisite desserts. Visitors can taste edible flowers, scones with homemade strawberry jam and fresh cream and British style fish and chips.

Outdoorsy? Hike the forest trails, sandy beaches and rocky headlands. hire a canoe and explore the quiet reaches of the Sooke River or sink a crab trap off the Government Wharf. Join the locals on the challenging 9-hole golf course, take a mountain bike along the many trails or putt a round of crazy golf. Visitors interested in beachcombing, birdwatching or nature photography will find the Sooke area a veritable treasure-trove.

History buffs will enjoy a visit to a turn-of-the-century pioneer family at historic Moss Cottage and the Sooke Region Museum.

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gold commissioner and Indian Reserve Commissioner and his family. The well-documented 19th century garden is one of Western Canada's best examples of a Victorian domestic garden. Heritage Weekend Special Event: May 5 (free admission): House tours by costumed guides, garden tours, demonstrations and discussion of the restoration process and piano playing in the drawing room. Regular Hours: Thursday through Monday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. (Small admission charge).

MARITIME MUSEUM

Bastion Square, Victoria

• Since 1965 the Maritime Museum has occupied the former Provincial Courthouse in

Bastion Square. It features a superb collection of exhibits on maritime history. Galleries are devoted to the Age of Sail, Pacific Northwest Exploration, Lone Circumnavigators, Naval History and the story of Canadian Pacific Steamships. The museum is also home to the *Tilikum* and *Trekka*, two internationally renowned sailing vessels. Heritage Weekend Special events: Friday, May 3 at 2 p.m. Illustrated Talk by Norman Pope, "The Royal Navy and the Royal Canadian Navy in the Pacific - 1850-1950". Saturday and Sunday, May 4 and 5, 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Demonstrations of model-making, sailmaking and woodcarving. Shanty singing too . . . Docents on Deck!

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tion, golfing in Victoria is a year-round sport and as the demand for golfing opportunities has grown, challenging and charming-designed courses have been added.

Here is a rundown of some of the finest golfing facilities available in Greater Victoria:

Blenkinsop Valley Golf Centre, 4237 Blenkinsop Road, Victoria. Tel. (604) 721-2001. Driving range with 34 covered stalls, pro shop, snack bar, ample parking, close to city. Full teaching staff with 3 CPGA's. Lessons available on request and by appointment. Club repair and fitting available.

Cordova Bay Golf Club 5333 Cordova Bay Road, Victoria. Tel. (604) 658-4075. 18-hole, par 72 public course with 8 manmade lakes, ocean views and views of Mount Baker. Clubhouse facilities with pro shop, men's/ladies' lockers. Restaurant.

Glen Meadows Golf & Country Club, 1050 McTavish Road, Sidney. Tel. (604) 656-3136; 18-hole par 72 semi-private course in beautifully treed rural setting in North Saanich. Full clubhouse facilities

with fully licenced bar and restaurant. Lockers, pro shop, tennis courts and curling rink. 2 CPGA's on staff. Lessons available.

Olympic View Golf & Country Club, 643 Latoria Road. Tel. (604) 474-3671; 18-hole par 72 public golf course, designed by Bill Robinson. Incredibly scenic views, 12 lakes, tight narrow fairways. Full clubhouse facilities with fully licenced lounge and restaurant. Driving range with 14 covered stalls. 3 CPGA's on staff. Lessons available by appointment

Prospect Lake Golf Club, 4633 Prospect Lake Road, Victoria. Tel. (604) 479-2688. 9-hole, par 32 public course. Clubhouse, fully licenced, pro shop, golf club repair on premises. All 9 greens recently rebuilt and enlarged. Scenic location on shores of Prospect Lake. Deer roam freely, peaceful and relaxing.

Royal Oak Inn Golf Course, 4680 Elk Lake Drive, Victoria. Tel. (604) 658-1433. Public course, close to town. 9-hole par 33. Clubhouse with fully licenced bar and snack-bar. Pro shop. Visitors warmly welcomed. Course heavily treed and challenging.

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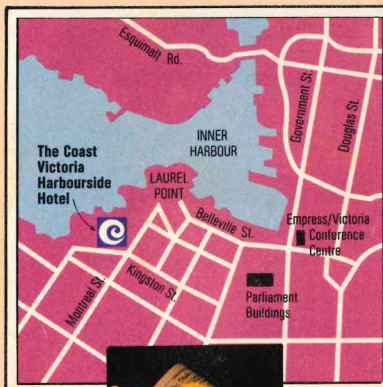
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